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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

On behalf of Dr. Carney and the ACS committees responsible for the study Chemistry and Medicine, I should like to thank you for such a prompt review and approval of the chapter on genetic diseases. If all goes well, we should have printed copies of the finally approved version of the study before too many more weeks pass. When we do, one will be sent to you as one of the study's contributors.

As you say, it is unfortunate that DNA splicing could not have been covered more. However, the main objective has been to give a reasonable overview of how medicinal chemistry research is conducted and to point out some of the main areas of research now under way that should lead to improved health care in the future. To be sure, DNA experts among the readers may wonder about points not included, but otherwise the bulk of the audience I do believe will be very well served by the information they do find in the study.

Sincerely,

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